TAIKUMI
I LOVE YOU
Eii...
FACE THE FRONT
THE FRONT!
I KNOW THAT

I don't want you to constantly stare at me like that..
Wakaki Gii Kimi
X no Nayami

HIGH SCHOOL ATTACHED

Hey! Saki Giichi!
WHY ARE YOU CHATTING WITH YOUR NEIGHBOUR?!
Stand up!
THAT'S NOT WHAT I MEANT...
WHAT? YOU DON'T BELIEVE ME?
THAT I LOVE TAKUMI
WHAT IS THE POPULATION OF MOSCOW?
SAKI
YES
Stand up
Aah
SEE? WE GOT SCOLDED
THEY'RE IN GEOGRAPHY CLASS RIGHT NOW
actually

I'VE NEVER BEEN TO MOSCOW, SO I DON'T KNOW.
GII, THAT'S NOT AN EXCUSE.
AMERICA
JAPAN
AUSTRIA, SWISS
ITALY, SPAIN, SRI LANKA
UK
FRANCE
IRELAND
AND THEN. .
THEN WHAT PLACES WOULD YOU KNOW?
oh
REALLY
JILL.. JUST SIT DOWN!
YES
BUT BE QUIET OK!?
sit down
HE ONLY ASKS ME ABOUT THE ONLY COUNTRY THAT I'VE NEVER BEEN TO.
whisper

chuckles
YEA
YEA
chuckles
chuckles
Be Quiet!
You Got it?
I heard that he was raised in America until he was 15 years old...
STARTING NEXT CLASS
I'M DEFINITELY NOT SITTING NEXT TO HIM...
BUT... WHICH MEANS BESIDES RUSSIA, HE'S BEEN TO EVERYWHERE ELSE?!
I WONDER, WHAT KIND OF LIFE HAS HE BEEN LIVING?!
AND I'VE NEVER EVEN TRAVELED OUTSIDE OF HONSHUU!
Sigh

BUT I WANTED TO SAY I LOVE TAKUMI
IF YOU KNOW THAT THEN WHY DON'T YOU JUST STOP STEPPING ON HIS NERVES?
Does GI realize that he himself says this at least once an hour too?
Here it comes again
WHEN YOU SAY IT THROUGH OUT THE DAY, IT WILL LOOSE ITS SINCERITY
THAT GENDA GUY! HE DEFINITELY HATES ME!
HE ALWAYS PICKS ON ME AT LEAST ONCE EVERY HOUR
DO YOU REALLY UNDER-STAND?
YES I DO
TAKUMI I'M SERIOUS
I KNOW THAT
This is what the 2nd year students talk about?
While facing the midterm in May

Gil... I DON'T WANT TO DIE YET
He's probably a Gil fan
and that guy too
peek
peek
THE NEW STUDENTS WHO JUST CAME IN APRIL ALREADY FORMED A Gil FAN CLUB
STUN
!!
THEN GIVE ME A KISS
RIGHT HERE
Walk Off
Ah
Hey
Wait Takumi
JESUS CHRIST
IF WE DON'T HURRY, WE WON'T MAKE IT TO THE NEXT CLASS
WHY WOULD TAKUMI DIE?

OH, NOGAWA-KUN
EH? HOW UNUSUAL, HAYAMA-KUN.
It's like the bargain sale of "I love you"
YOU'RE NOT WITH GIL TODAY?
AH, MAY I SIT HERE?
SURE

As class D's class president, Saki Eiichi made me into the class vice-president himself
And that makes me interact with these top class people who I would have never had the chance to know...
Nogawa Masaru The class president of class A
AS FOR GIL, HE GOT CALLED AND IS IN THE TEACHER'S OFFICE RIGHT NOW
OH
rattle
JUST BY BEING GIL'S FRIEND IT MAKES ME STAND OUT...
sigh~

WE'RE NOT REALLY TOGETHER EVERY DAY AND NIGHT AND WE'RE ROOMMATES BECAUSE WE'RE THE CLASS PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT
SEE? AGAIN
HAYAMA-KUN HAS BEEN HAVING GII ALL TO HIMSELF.
Sex friend.
PLEASE DON'T MAKE THAT KIND OF JOKE...
Just because we share the same room. it's..
IF YOU STICK TO HIM TOO MUCH
PEOPLE WILL SUSPECT YOU GUYS HAVE THAT KIND OF RELATIONSHIP.
DROP
GII IS SPECIAL.
EVEN THOUGH YOU GUYS ARE ALONE EVERY NIGHT, NOTHING HAPPENED? THAT'S AMAZING.
THAT KIND OF RELATIONSHIP?

TAKUMI
GIVE ME ANOTHER RUN
My dislike human contact syndrome...
Even though I like Oh
It's not going to heal this easily
Aah...So this guy admires Oh as well?
My god. Oh is the one who sticks to me.
I've been avoiding kissing these days too (Of course, formerly, we've never)

Chomp Chomp
Can I?♡
YOU WANT ANOTHER ONE?
though! took a bite
Stare
THE TEACHER MUST HAVE WORKED YOU REALLY HARD. YOU DON'T EVEN HAVE TIME TO EAT.
YEA, IT'S THAT GENDA AGAIN
HE ASKED ME TO CARRY THE OHP MACHINE FROM FLOOR 1 TO FLOOR 4 ALL BY MYSELF...
Uwaah That really heavy one!
AH... I'M FULL NOW.

I DIDN'T ASK YOU TO KISS ME
LEND ME YOUR LAP, TAKUMI
Lay Down
!
I WANT TO REST A BIT
GII?
WA... WAIT
GII
ALTHOUGH OUR RELATIONSHIP IS PRETTY PLATONIC
BUT SINCE WE'RE LOVERS, THE LAP SHOULD BE FINE RIGHT?

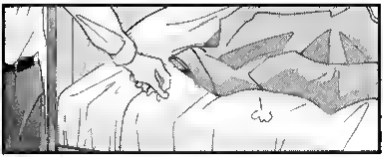
IT WILL BE ENOUGH
WITH JUST THIS
OH..
THANK YOU
He did not forget about my dislike of human contact illness...
YES
IT'S OK

DEPRESSED
AAH... ENGLISH IS MY WORST SUBJECT, AND IF THE TEACHER SEES ME.
Ring... Ring...
EH?
Ring... Ring...
OH NO
I OVER SLEPT TAKUMI THIS IS THE ENDING CHIME FOR THE 5TH CLASS
THIS IS BAD. THE 5TH CLASS IS ENGLISH
TAKUMI WHY DON'T WE SKIP THE 6TH CLASS AS WELL THEN?
THAT'S NOT FUNNY LET'S GO BACK.
Huh?
ABOUT WHAT?
THEY MUST BE WONDERING WHAT HAPPENED BETWEEN US
SINCE WE WERE BOTH ABSENT FOR AN HOUR
RIGHT NOW
THERE MUST BE RUMOURS GOING AROUND

RushUp
grab
LET'S GO BACK SEPARATELY!
IT'S WEIRD IF WE GO BACK.
SINCE THEY'RE THINKING THAT WAY ALREADY
THEN LET'S MAKE IT TRUE.
MAKE IT TRUE?
FORGET ABOUT THE TIME
LET'S HAVE FUN
thump
"SEX FRIEND"
RAW AWAY
SEE YOU 411

YOU SURE HAVE COURAGE...
HAYAMA-KUN
NOT TO MENTION YOUR MARKS... BUT WHAT HAPPENED TO THE SERIOUS AND IMMOVABLE YOU?
Is he used to the next step after kissing as well?
Oji, who is used to kissing
Oji, who has been living in America until he was 15 years old

Akaike Shouzou Gil's close friend...
He has a shiny ethic committee's badge in front of his chest
BY THE WAY, WHERE'S GIL?
But still HE'S SO TOUGH
Gil?
YOU GUYS WERE TOGETHER RIGHT?
WELL, NOT REALLY
IN THE WOODS
I INADVERTENTLY DOZED...
HMM
SO
WHERE DID YOU SAY YOU WERE?
OK
I'LL ASK FOR GIL'S VERSION LATER TOO THEN.
OOPS



CLOSE DOOR

THE SECTIONS THE MIDTERM IS GOING TO COVER

IS OUT ALREADY

TAKUMI IS MORE TO THE SCIENCE AND MATHEMATICS SIDE

SINCE YOU'RE FASTIDIOUS YOU WON'T ACCEPT AN ANSWER THAT'S NOT EXACT

THAT'S

ISN'T THAT TRUE? YOU EVEN LABEL YOUR FRIENDS
THIS GUY IS JUST A CLASSMATE
THAT GUY IS JUST SOMEONE YOU KNOW. AND THIS ONE IS JUST YOUR ROOMMATE
YOU'LL WANT TO SHUT YOUR EYES WHEN THE OTHER PARTY'S FEELINGS HAS CHANGED
GI! WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT...?!
THICK-HEAD!
GI...?
SINCE TAKUMI'S FEELING DOES NOT CHANGE
YOU EXPECT OTHERS TO BE THE SAME RIGHT?
YOU'RE SCARED TO BE MISTAKEN ABOUT OUR RELATIONSHIP
AND YOU RAN AWAY!
WHAT ARE YOU TRYING TO SAY? GI!

BANG
BUT
EVERYBODY HATES TO BE MISTAKEN...
STOP SAYING NON-SENSE!
I LIKE TAKUMI!
HOW CAN THERE BE A GUY IN THIS WORLD WHO CAN ACCEPT NOT TOUCHING THE ONE HE LIKES?!
HAVE YOU EVER THOUGHT ABOUT HOW I FEEL?

I'M SORRY GI
I DIDN'T SAY THIS BECAUSE I WANT YOU TO APOLOGIZE
SIGH
THIS IS STUPID
OPEN
PLEASE FORGET WHAT I'VE JUST SAID
I WAS A BIT IRRITATED, SORRY
CLOSE DOOR
GI

HEY! HAYAMA-KUN
Gil, who is honest with his feelings.
And I, who couldn't even understand my own feelings.
Gil has said "I love you" so many times.
Could it be because of me that's why he keeps on saying it...

HaHaHa
YOUR INVITE IS AS STINKY AS USUAL
Smile
NOZAKI DAISUKE!!
WHAT A COINCI-DENCE
THAT WE MEET HERE
OUR FRIEND-SHIP WAS STINKY FROM THE BEGIN-NING
The first day of school back in April...
The basketball team captain, Nozaki Daisuke from 3rd year made an enor-mous approach
Because of me, Oh! got into a quarrel that time.
OH, THE CURRY INCIDENT
WHAT DO YOU WANT?

THAT GUY IS A PLAYBOY
SO BE CAREFUL
HUH?
THAT ROOMMATE OF YOURS
HE IS INTERESTED IN YOU RIGHT?
YOU PURPOSELY WAITED FOR ME HERE
JUST BECAUSE YOU WANTED TO SAY THIS?
SHOW
Here♡
front row tickets for classical orchestra!
Ooh.. again...

I'M NOT GOING
THE ONE LAST TIME WAS A FAKE ONE
BUT THIS IS THE REAL THING
AFTER THAT TIME, I STARTED TO ADMIRE YOU, HAYAMA TAKUMI
YOUR COOKINESS IS THE BEST
TURN
OH REALLY?
See ya
STOP!
WAIT A SECOND. HAYAMA
?!

HAYAMA
?
HEY
TAKUMI
GH!
!
OH
BYE
WHAT ARE
YOU DOING?
LET'S GET
GOING

...YOU'RE JEALOUS?
Chuckles
DON'T TALK TO PEOPLE LIKE NOZAKI
YES I AM
LET'S GO
OK
chuckles
I KNOW NOW.
Oh! is so cute

thump
YOU KNOW...? ABOUT WHAT?
I KNOW WHERE G# WAS YESTERDAY DURING THE 5TH PERIOD
ON DUTY CLEANING THE PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE
BUT G# SAID HE WAS IN THE LIBRARY
FOR SOMEONE'S SAKE
SWEEP
SWEEP
YOU GUYS JUST SKIPPED A CLASS TOGETHER THAT'S ALL
WHY DO YOU HAVE TO HIDE IT?
AREN'T YOU MAKING G# DO UNNECESSARY THINGS ALL THE TIME?
HONESTLY, IT'S A BOTHER!

STEP
STEP
WHA...
IT'S LIKE MUTUAL FAVOURING
WHILE PRETENDING TO BE CLOSE FRIENDS
AKAIKE-KUN JUST WANT TO CLEAR IT UP I DIDN'T ASK HIM TO DO IT.

ARE YOU TRYING TO PICK A FIGHT WITH ME?!
So Naive!
!
IT'S NONE OF YOUR BUSINESS AKAIKE-KUN
YOU WERE TALKING TO NOZAKI IN THE HALLWAY A WHILE AGO RIGHT?

GII MADE A BET WITH NOZAKI
AND THE ONE THEY'RE BETTING ON IS HAYAMA TAKUMI
HUH..?
THE ONE WHO'S TRYING TO PICK A FIGHT IS NOZAKI
NO, GUESS IT'S GII IN THE END
ME?!

SO GII GOT MAD AND DECLARED A MATCH!
AND GII HEARD HIM WHILE PASSING BY
THAT NOZAKI, HE WAS TALKING BIG TO HIS FRIEND BY SAYING "IF HAYAMA AGREES TO GO OUT JUST ONCE, THEN VIOLATING HIM WON'T BE A PROBLEM AT ALL. EVEN IF I HAVE TO USE FORCE, I'LL SHOW YOU I CAN MAKE HIM OBEY"

WHEN WAS THIS...?
YESTERDAY AFTER SCHOOL
GII DIDN'T MENTION ANYTHING...
You think he'd tell you?
Pat
Pat

AND...
THE BET IS?
SINCE THEY'RE BOTH CONFIDENT IN THEIR PHYSICAL STRENGTH
THEY ARE GOING TO COMPETE WITH THEIR TIMES IN THE MARATHON DURING THE UPCOMING SPORTS TEST.
ON THE OTHER HAND, NOZAKI IS THE CAPTAIN OF THE BASKETBALL TEAM, SO GII IS REALLY IN THE DISADVANTAGE
HOWEVER, NO MATTER HOW GOOD GII IS WITH SPORTS, HE'S NOT ACTUALLY IN A SPORTS CLUB

AKAIKE-KUN
WHAT WILL HAPPEN IF NOZAKI WINS?
HE WILL PUNCH GII AND HAYAMA TAKUMI WILL BECOME HIS PROPERTY.
BUT, THEN HAYAMA DIDN'T EVEN KNOW GII'S FEELINGS
AND HAPPILY CHATTED WITH NOZAKI THOUGHT-LESSLY
AND IF HE LOSES?
THEN THE OTHER WAY AROUND
GII WILL PUNCH HIM AND HE WILL HAVE TO PROMISE NOT TO LAY HIS HAND ON HAYAMA AGAIN
SOMETHING LIKE THAT
IS ACTUALLY NOT SOME-THING THAT SHOULD BE CONCERNED ABOUT
BUT TO GII, HE COULDN'T JUST IGNORE IT...
HE'S NOT THE TYPE WHO WOULD MAKE A BET FOR THE SAKE OF THE FRIENDSHIP WITH A SIMPLE ROOMMATE
THAT GUY

NOW LISTEN
ACTUALLY I WASN'T SUPPOSE TO TELL YOU THIS
BECAUSE GII SAID IT DOESN'T CONCERN YOU
I WONDER IF THERE'S ANY WAY TO STOP THEM.
...Akaike-kun
Does he know..? About our relationship?
SINCE I DON'T WANT TO GET HOSPITALIZED RIGHT BEFORE THE MIDTERM
WHAT IS IT?
THAT YOU CAN'T TELL ME? SHOUZOU
DON'T LET GII KNOW
OK?
GII
ah ~ah

I DON'T LIKE BETTING
GI!! STOP IT
I DON'T WANT GI! TO MAKE A BET ON ME.
HOW COULD YOU...
GRAB
WHAT ARE YOU UP TO?
YOU BAS-TARD!!
IT JUST HAPPE-NED
FOR-GIVE ME
LET GO OF HIM
FUU
GEEZ, THAT STUPID POWER.

Close Door
GOOD LUCK WITH THE MARATHON
I ACTUALLY DON'T CARE ABOUT WHAT OTHER PEOPLE SAY ABOUT ME.
I CARE

I'M GOING TO PRACTICE FOR THE MARATHON
YOU WANNA ACCOMPANY ME?
GII?
SURE...
THEN
LET'S START!
This is strange
Although when it's about Gii and I, I dislike being mistaken
But regarding this... I feel like if Nozaki-san wants to spread rumours then, I'll just let him do it...

TAKUMI
ARE YOU WORRIED ABOUT ME?
NOT REALLY
depressed
HEY HEY TAKUMI
DON'T DISCOURAGE ME ANY FURTHER.
I'M NOT WORRYING AT ALL
I DON'T REALLY CARE IF GI GETS PUNCHED OR NOT
I
What the
Gee!

EH?
...TAKUMI ...?
THAT'S RECKLESS
GII

YOU DON'T HAVE TO TREASURE ME THIS MUCH...
Oh..
HUG
BUT MY SENSE IS...
WHAT HAPPENED TO YOUR ILLNESS?
TAKUMI
well~
THEN...
TAKUMI-KUN
JUST FORGET ABOUT IT RIGHT NOW
IF POSSIBLE, I WOULD LIKE YOU TO SWITCH FROM THE BACK TO THE FRONT...
I HOPE YOU CAN LET GO IF POSSIBLE...

FRONT?
FACING ME
THIS WAY
PULL
!
BECAUSE TAKUMI DOESN'T HUG ME USUALLY
SO THANKS TO THAT, IT BLEW AWAY MY SENSE OF HOLDING BACK...

I LOVE YOU
ME TOO!!

"HOW CAN THERE BE A GUY IN THIS WORLD WHO CAN ACCEPT NOT TOUCHING THE ONE HE LIKES?!"
That time, Gil just came back after making a bet for me
But I was so dumb I didn't even think about his feelings and apologized.
Gil..
Snooze..

Without telling me anything
You were going to pretend that nothing happened right?
You were planning to... win secretly right?
Because 0ll is the most important to me right now
But I'm still scared
Should I tell 0ll. ?
About the truth
If I loose 0ll because of that
Because I m not as innocent as 0ll thinks...
I'll definitely regret it

Even though you would have succeeded if you embraced me by force, but you didn't. Your kindness... is hard for me.
If you embrace me, you'll probably know right away that it's not my first time
Dislike human contact illness
You've given it a perfect name. Oh...
"THEN GIVE ME A KISS"
I've never given him a kiss myself
I've never hoped for a kiss either
SHE?
I want to return Oh's feeling...
That's what I intended to do but...
You never show that you're holding back.
That day these words
You've shown me your true feelings for the first time.

Gil
PLEASE ACCEPT A KISS FROM ME
What should I do if Gil wins?
Guess I'll have to decide for Gil's sake.
I, who thought I'd never love anyone ever again...
You've taught me that it's not true, Gil
Even though you do not know my past, you've changed my heart this much
I, who couldn't take a step forward..
Gil
I'M SORRY

—that's right definitely
Waaah...
Beep...
Gu
IS IT OVER? FOR THE 3RD YEARS
HOW WAS IT? WHAT'S NOZAKI'S TIME?
YEA
WELL, IT'S LIKE HALF AND HALF RIGHT NOW

Gil...PLEASE DON'T LOSE OK?
FOR...THE FIRST TIME
THIS IS MY FIRST TIME HEARING YOUR THOUGHTS ABOUT THIS...
PLEASE WIN FOR SURE
Because I like Gil
THAT'S WHAT I'M PLANNING TO DO
It's not anyone except Gil
To me, Gil is special too

YOU'LL CHEER FOR ME RIGHT?
WHAT SHOULD I DO?
Yeah!!
I'LL CHEER LOUDLY
ALTHOUGH THE BET DOESN'T MATTER TO ME AT ALL
THEN I'LL COUNT ON YOU TO GIVE ME THE LOUDEST CHEER DURING THE LAST LAP
MY WEAKNESS IS I DON'T HAVE ENOUGH ENERGY FOR THE LAST PART
I DON'T WANT 6ii TO LOOSE
THIS IS NOT A BET

Hi...
smile
IT'S A MATCH

HAYAMA
HEY, AKAIKE-KUN!
RUN
RUN
I LIKE GII!
HMM...
I THOUGHT SO
what is it all of a sudden...?
I WANT HIM TO WIN NO MATTER WHAT!
I.
I WANT HIM TO WIN.
AND?
IT SEEMS LIKE YOU RUN FASTER THAN ME. SO LET'S RUN TOGETHER!!
ALTHOUGH GII IS IN A DIFFERENT GROUP, I'LL RUN DURING THE LAST LAP TOO!
THAT'S A STRANGE SUGGESTION
Besides my group is next after that.
YOU'LL GET SCOLDED BY THE TEACHER

I...
IF BY ANY CHANCE, I GET VIOLATED OR ANYTHING ELSE BY NOZAKI DAISUKE
I'M ACTUALLY TOTALLY FINE WITH IT
HEY
HAYAMA, ARE YOU SERIOUS?
glare
BUT... IF IT'S GOING TO MAKE GIL SAD
THEN I WOULDN'T WANT IT TO HAPPEN
I AM SERIOUS

I BEG YOU, AKAIKE-KUN
I DON'T WANT TO MAKE GIl SAD.
OK, I'LL HELP

THANK YOU!
IN RETURN, DON'T SAY SCARY STUFF LIKE THAT AS IF IT'S NO BIG DEAL
DON'T EVER SAY IT'S FINE TO BE VIOLATED BY ANYONE
SINCE GIL IS
TREASURING YOU DEARLY.
I KNOW

I HOPE YOU'RE REALLY GETTING IT
I PROMISE!
Beep...
Waaah...
And then, we ran.
Of course I'll promise you
The result well guess we don't have to say it out loud
WAKAKI GII KIMI E NO NAYAMI - END

Those Beloved Days

YOU'RE 15 MINS LATE
SHOUZOU
I'M SORRY
I WAS BUSY WITH VARIOUS THINGS
YOU DIDN'T FORGET THAT I WAS COMING RIGHT?
Bingo
thump
AHaHaHa
DON'T PLAY DUMB
HERE
rustle
WHAT IS IT?
SOU-VENIR

"AH~THAT ARTIST'S RECORDS I COULDN'T FIND THEM ANY-WHERE IN JAPAN"
It's the one I've complained over before
He remembered
rustle
AH...
Foreign records this is...
EVEN I FORGOT ABOUT IT ALREADY
THANK YOU, GII
AS USUAL, GII IS IN-CREDIBLE
I'M SO TOUCHED
OH SO YOU WILL MAKE POTATO POT TONIGHT THEN?
chuckle
IT'S NOT SOMETHING THAT YOU NEED TO THANK ME FOR
BESIDES I NEVER THOUGHT IT WOULD TAKE ME HALF A YEAR TO GET THEM
AND GRAPE LEAVES MISO SOUP, GRILLED SCABBARD FISH, GRATED RADISH, GRILLED EGGPLANT...

TONIGHT'S MENU
SINCE YOUR COOKING IS WORLD CLASS
smile
HEY GIL, WHAT ARE THOSE?
My Golden week
is gone...
SHOUZOU-KUN, I'M DONE WITH THE TERIYAKI SAUCE
AND STRAINING THE PUMPKIN

HMM...
SHOUZOU CALLS NAMIKO NAMI.
NAMI IF YOU'RE DONE WITH THE STRAINING CAN YOU MIX THE FILLING OVER THERE WITH CREAM?
OK
ANYTHING ELSE?
YEA, THAT'S CHEEKY RIGHT? EVEN THOUGH WE'RE THE SAME AGE.
AND I CALL HIM PROPERLY AS SHOUZOU-KUN TOO
NAMI START WORKING WHILE YOU TALK!
YOU WON'T BE ABLE TO GET MARRIED IF YOU'RE LIKE THAT.

ON THE OTHER HAND, WHEN SHOUZOU-KUN IS IN A BOYS' SCHOOL FOR 3 YEARS, YOU MIGHT ACTUALLY TURN INTO A HOMO.
CAUSE I'M PRETTY POPULAR THERE'RE A LOT FOR ME TO CHOOSE FROM.
YOU DON'T HAVE TO WORRY.
Cough
WALK AWAY
KE KE KE
cough
cough
I'M JUST A BOTHER IF I STAY HERE ANYWAYS, SO I'LL GO WATCH TV.
YEA, THANKS
Wah
ARE YOU OK?

Oh my...
SHOUZOU-KUN SAKI-SAN MUST BE POPULAR RIGHT?
HE'S SO GORGEOUS NO MATTER HOW MANY TIMES I'VE SEEN HIM
EVEN IN SHIDOU, HE'S OUR PRETTY BOY NO. 1 TOO
SOMEONE LIKE HIM MUST FACE DANGER HUH?
LIKE WHAT?
GETTING ATTACKED BY THE UPPER CLASS
HeHeHe
LET'S SEE, NEXT IS THE FILLING...
THE GIRLS THESE DAYS
HE'S THE ONE WHO ATTACKS
Oh Hey!
WHAT HAVE YOU BEEN READING?!
YOUR THOUGHTS ARE SO DANGEROUS NOW

OH, GII-KUN
YOU'RE HERE. I HAVEN'T SEEN YOU SINCE LAST YEAR'S NEW YEAR.
THEY TALK A LOT THEY EAT A LOT
Good evening.
Oh, you're here!
NAMIKO'S FAMILY
HaHa HaHa
IT'S ALSO CALLED A DRINKING PARTY
WORKER
SHOUZOU-KUN
WE DON'T HAVE ENOUGH ICE

Take
ER
IT'S OK. I'T'S DARK OUTSIDE, I'LL GO
In return, can you take that *Monokyuu to them?
*NOTE MONOKYUU — JAPANESE DASH
OH, I USED IT ALL A WHILE AGO
DO YOU HAVE ANY LEFT AT YOUR HOUSE?
YEA, I'LL GO GET SOME
CLOSE DOOR
NAMIKO-CHAN
CAN YOU GIVE ME A GLASS OF WATER?
Shouzou-kun
.....
OH MY
DID YOU DRINK TOO MUCH? YOU'RE SO RED
YOUR FATHER'S AND SHOUZOU'S FATHER'S TOLERANCE IS TOO HIGH
drink
I couldn't keep up

THANK YOU I FEEL BETTER NOW
WHERE'S SHOUZOU?
Oh
HE WENT TO MY HOUSE TO GET SOME ICE
ERR
MAY I ASK YOU SOMETHING?
OF COURSE YOU CAN ASK ANYTHING.
smile
SHOUZOU -KUN
IS HE HARD WORKING IN SCHOOL AS WELL?
COMPARED TO US, YES
HE'S NOT EXHAUSTED?

.....
GUESS WHEN WE'RE APART, I WORRY OVER UNNECESSARY THINGS
LIKE?
NOPE HE'S OUR GREAT ETHICS COMMITTEE ASSOCIATE AND EVERYONE IS AFRAID OF HIM
Chuckle
SHIDOU IS A BOYS' SCHOOL RIGHT? THAT'S WHY THOSE KINDS OF LOVE RELATIONSHIPS PROBABLY DO EXIST.
AND FOR QUARRELS THE LEVEL IS PROBABLY DIFFERENT FROM GIRL'S FIGHTS TOO
DURING WINTER, HE'LL DEFINITELY BE IN BED
ONCE A MONTH RIGHT?
YUP!!
BUT I GUESS IT'S USELESS TO BE WORRIED
EVEN THOUGH HE LOOKS FINE
HE'S WEAK AGAINST THE FLU AND HE GETS FEVERS ONCE IN A WHILE.

WELL, SINCE HE'S A GUY AND NAMIKO IS A GIRL
I THINK IT'S HARD TO COMPARE EQUALLY
HE GROWS UP A BIT EACH TIME I SEE HIM WHEN HE COMES BACK
AND SOMEHOW, IT MAKES ME FEEL LONELY
—ARE YOU AND SHOUZOU-KUN ALWAYS TOGETHER?
EVEN THOUGH WE WERE RAISED AND GREW UP TOGETHER
WE'RE MOSTLY ON OUR OWN THESE DAYS
OH...
SINCE WE'RE NOT ROOMMATES ANYMORE
IT SEEMS LIKE HE GREW UP A LOT ALL OF A SUDDEN AND LEFT ME BEHIND
I'M SCARED THAT I WON'T BE ABLE TO CATCH UP

GOING TO AN ALL-DORMITORY BOYS' SCHOOL, GIRLS WILL ABSOLUTELY BE WORRIED
HOPING THAT WE WILL NOT GET INFLUENCED AND ENTER A WEIRD PATH
EACH TIME I GO HOME, MY SISTER ALWAYS CHECKS ME THOROUGHLY
REALLY?
Blush
DON'T WORRY.
HE'S A NORMAL GUY
SAKI-SAN
WELL, IF SPEAKING OF JUST SHOUZOU, HE'LL DEFINITELY BE FINE
I CAN ASSURE YOU THAT HE'S NORMAL.
BESIDES THERE'S NO ONE IN SHIDOU WHO'D DARE TOUCH HIM.
chuckles
THAT'S GOOD

EH?
YOU SAID JUST? THEN HOW ABOUT YOU?
well
HEY
WHO SAID I'M GOING TO MARRY NAMI?
MOVE OVER A BIT, I'M GOING TO FALL OFF THE BED
SHOUZOU IF YOU'RE GOING TO MARRY THAT GIRL, IT WILL BE TOUGH TO HAVE AN AFFAIR
ALTHOUGH SHE'S CUTE SHE HAS GOOD INSIGHT
rustle rustle

HUH? SOMETHING HAPPENED WITH HAYAMA?
If Shouzou is with Nanmike-chan
WELL I'M SURE TAKUMI WOULD BE RELIEVED TOO.
IN CASE OF WHAT? WHAT CAN HAPPEN BETWEEN YOU AND ME?
NOPE, IT'S JUST THE PREVENTIVE PLAN, IN CASE IF SOMETHING DOES HAPPEN
BUT I'M WONDERING WHY I HEAR PEOPLE ASKING WHETHER WE'RE GOING OUT OR NOT NOW.
WHEN NO ONE SAID ANYTHING LAST YEAR.
Stop saying disgusting things, I'm going to kick you out.
DANGEROUS RELATION-SHIP.

THAT'S TRUE WE WERE IN THE SAME ROOM FOR A WHOLE YEAR
AND NOTHING HAPPENED BETWEEN US
I'M THE SAME AS LAST YEAR.
smile
COULD IT BE SHOUZOU IS DOING SOMETHING THAT MAKES PEOPLE MISUNDERSTAND?
HOW COULD ANYTHING HAPPEN...?
Disgusted
GOING BACK HOME IN TOKYO.
PROBABLY THE SAME AS TODAY
THERE'S SOMETHING THAT I NEED TO DO.
WHAT ABOUT 0!?
Mou... sogeary
WELL... WHAT ARE YOU DOING TOMORROW? SHOUZOU

chuckles
OH, IS IT PRIVATE? OR YOUR DAD'S ORDER?
THE SECOND ONE
OH MY. WE HARDLY GET DAYS OFF, AND YOU'RE SO BUSY
AREN'T YOU TOO SHOUZOU?
THEN, GOOD NIGHT.
GOOD NIGHT, CHIEF SHOUZOU
OUR GREAT GII-SENSEI
OH
THAT'S TRUE
Laugh

June Pride
Part-1

Ring
Ring...
Ring...
The phone..
Is it for me?
It's the first golden-week since becoming a 2nd year student

YES
Mother...?
KNOCK KNOCK
TAKUMI?
I came back home to Shizuoka yesterday
OH THANK YOU
Open
TAKUMI...
THE CALL IS FOR YOU
YOU'RE WELCOME

Takumi?
PRESS
close
And what waits for me in this house is awkward conversation with my parents...
HELLO?
Gll
thump

I'M GOOD. HOW ABOUT YOU?
Was CH's voice.... like this?
It's deep... and sweet
I'm alright
By the way seems like call waiting picked up my call...
I'm sorry to interrupt while your mom is on the phone
HEY
HOW ARE YOU?
...Oh, that's what happened
I'LL TELL HER LATER.
Thanks

I see
You don't want to
That's true since we just parted yesterday morning in Shidou. Of course you wouldn't want to meet up
IT'S LIKE BEING DISTURBED ON A DATE WOULDN'T YOU HATE THAT?
THEN WE'LL HAVE TO HANG UP NO MATTER WHAT.
BUT YOU KNOW THERE MIGHT BE OTHERS CALLING IN WHILE WE TALK TOO
THAT'S WHY, WOULD YOU LIKE TO MEET?
IT'S SO SUDDEN...
You don't want to?
Let's meet Takumi
EH...?

THERE RE VARIOUS THINGS HAPPENING AT HOME ...
IT'S NOT LIKE I DON'T WANT TO SEE YOU.
GRAB
I m sorry Gil.
But
You wouldn t mind if I call right?
Gil
I'm sorry Takumi
I'M JUST BEING IM-PATIENT
DON'T PUSH YOURSELF.
WE'RE GOING TO MEET AGAIN IN SCHOOL RIGHT AWAY ANYWAYS.
PLEASE SAY IT'S OK
FOR SOMETHING LIKE THAT
WORRY
chuckle

You finally smiled
I was worried that something happened to you and your family
Since you sounded so serious yesterday night and today
Only three more days and I'll be able to see you again in school
I'll be patient
GIL...
Ok?
BUT PLEASE SMILE NO MATTER WHAT
REALLY
I'M JUST TIRED
Your insight is good Gil...
IT HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH MY FAMILY

Hold
Me too
I love you. G!!
I WANT TO SEE YOU, G!!—
I never thought I would like someone
To the extent where I couldn't even express it in words
HANG UP
silence
I LOVE YOU...
SEE YOU LATER

I DON'T WANT YOU TO KNOW...
Because I like you...
I won't tell you the truth, which is hidden in the mist
Only you I don't want you to know
that I'm not worthy of your love.
MAY I CONCEAL MY PAST, ACT AS NOTHING HAD HAPPENED
AND KEEP ON GOING OUT WITH YOU?
Since it will be revealed somehow as our relationship continues
What will Eli do when he finds out? And what will happen to me?
I know it's impossible

That'll allow me
God.
To tell Oz everything...
Please give me strength
The strength and courage
A month later...
Zaaaa

It's been raining continuously for several days already
Zaaaa...
The rain...
It's raining again...
Zaaaa...

Rustle
Rustle
I couldn t sleep because of the sound of the raindrops

Rustle
Zaaaa...

HEY TAKUMI
It's raining again today...
IT'S BEEN RAINING SINCE JUNE STARTED. IT'S DEPRESSING RIGHT?
LET'S GO OUT AND CHANGE OUR MOOD, SINCE IT'S SUNDAY.

I'M SORRY
BUT THERE'S A BOOK I WANT TO READ
Really?
THEN THAT'S OK
I'm going now
CLOSE DOOR
You invited me because of yesterday night right?
Oh

"Gii ~"
"EH? YOU'RE AWAKE?"
"SAME TO YOU"
"TAKUMI HAS PROBLEMS FALLING ASLEEP THESE DAYS RIGHT?"
"IT'S NOT LIKE YOU'RE THE MOON PRINCESS YOU'RE GOING TO BREAK-DOWN."
Yesterday night's...
"HEY
"I LOVE YOU."
Chuchus
"WHAT IS IT ALL OF A SUDDEN?"

thump
"ABOUT WHAT?"
"DO YOU UNDER-STAND?"
"I'M SORRY"
"DON'T MAKE FUN."
"IDIOT"
"THAT I LOVE TAKUMI"
"THEN WHAT IS IT?"
It's because if I don't play dumb
I don't know how to face it...
"THAT'S NOT WHAT I MEANT."
"YOU'VE BEEN CONFESSING FREQUENTLY UP UNTIL LAST MONTH"
"OF COURSE I KNOW IT VERY WELL."

That you want to lay your hands on me..
"I UNDERSTAND"
Oh. That's what you mean ?
"HOW COULD A GUY WHO'S OK WITH NOT TOUCHING THE ONE HE LOVES EXIST IN THIS WORLD?"
"DO YOU KNOW WHAT LOVE MEANS?"

"THEN NOTHING WILL CHANGE EVEN WHEN YOU UNDERSTAND?"
"AREN'T YOU STILL THE SAME?"
"WHAT EXACTLY ARE YOU SAYING THAT YOU UNDERSTAND?"
sigh
"AS EXPECTED YOU DON'T UNDERSTAND"
"THAT'S NOT TRUE!"
Ah
"I UNDERSTAND IT VERY WELL!"
"SINCE 9II IS"

Kind Oh..
He's aware that I can't sleep these days.
Turn
"WELL LET'S NOT ARGUE AT NIGHT"
"YOU GO TO SLEEP TOO GOOD NIGHT"
I become a coward when Oh is being kind
It makes the fear of loosing him increase
"I LOVE YOU TAKUMI "

Who could love Takumi?
No!
After telling him everything
This voice is...?!
I remember this voice...
Will he still say that to me
With passionate eyes?
Even your parents are like that. Don't make me laugh.
Thump

You're a humble human being.
This voice is...
Open
Ah
Get up
Ah
Gi
WELCOME BACK
HEY
I'M BACK

thump
That scared me. I thought my heart was going to stop beating...
thump
EH? WHEN DID I FALL ASLEEP...?
TAKING A NAP?
YOU FINISHED READING THE BOOK ALREADY?
!
AH
WELL... KINDA
OH NO THERE'S NO BOOK AROUND
PU
chuckles
YOU HAVEN'T EATEN LUNCH YET RIGHT?
LET'S GO BEFORE THE CAFETERIA CLOSES

I FORGOT.
YOU STILL HAVEN'T RIGHT?
DIDN'T YOU EAT WHILE YOU WERE OUT?
HUH? BUT GII
Mr. Gii's stomach is a black hole.
SMILE
Don't worry about me.
Gii...
PU
GRUMBLE

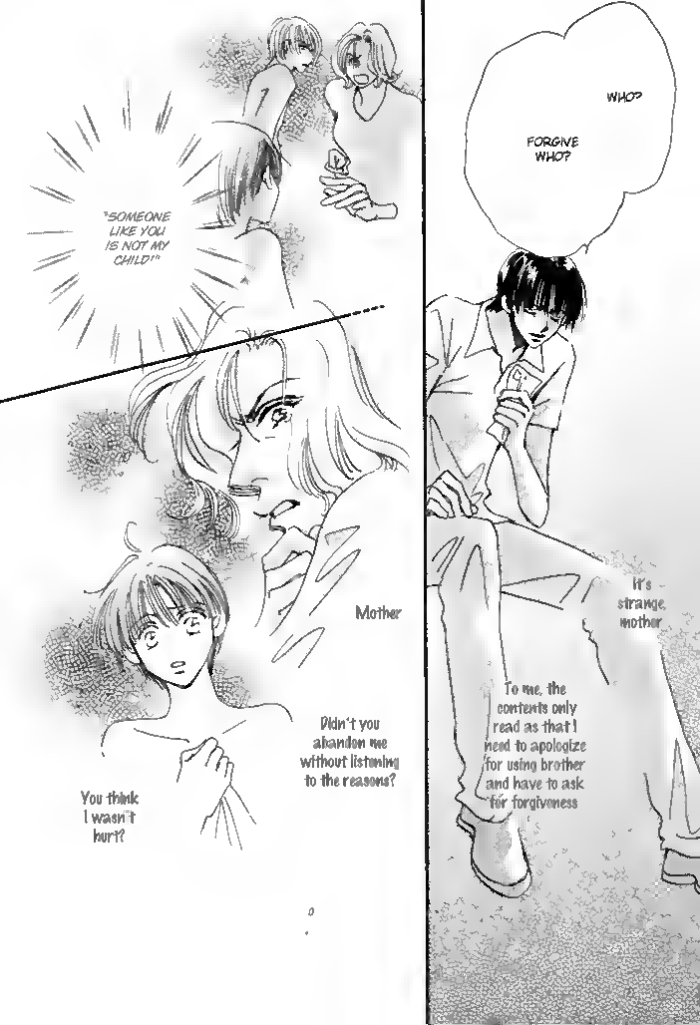
YOU DO EAT A LOT
AH
I'M FULL I'M FULL.
TODAY IS SUNDAY SO NO MAIL WILL BE DELIVERED
OH, LET ME CHECK THE MAILBOX
OH
FOR ME?!
HERE IT'S FOR YOU
HOW STRANGE I WONDER WHO SENT IT
HeHeHe
NAIVE TAKUMI-KUN EXPRESS MAIL IS DIFFERENT

HMM. YOUR MOTHER'S WRITING IS NEAT...
I have good sixth-sense
When it arrives, my head will ring.
I KNOW I'M SLOW
Hayama Takumi Sama
MO
THER

Gii..
That book is so wide
Somehow. It makes people want to hold on to it.
Rustle

RUN
HEY TAKUMI?!
It's scary..
I wanted to cling onto that back
then cry out loudly
And tell him everything...
Gasp
Gasp

Without even reading it, I know the content
Rustle
Mother
You're asking me to visit brother's grave this year?
June 15th
It's brother's death anniversary
Because it's useless to continue blaming a person who is no long alive?
You want me to forgive him?
This is the third anniversary


"SOMEONE LIKE YOU IS NOT MY CHILD!"
Mother
Didn't you abandon me without listening to the reasons?
You think I wasn't hurt?
WHO?
FORGIVE WHO?
It's strange, mother
To me, the contents only read as that I need to apologize for using brother and have to ask for forgiveness

WHAT ARE YOU DOING? HAYAMA.
YOU'RE DAZED OUT
It protects me when I give up on everything
That's why I tried so hard to build a barricade to protect my heart.
What are you asking me to forgive now?
I've given up on hatred, anger and despair already
I've given up on forgiving and not forgiving as well

OH
I'M SORRY
AH
AKAIKE-KUN
IF YOU'RE GOING TO MAKE A STUPID FACE THEN FACE THE WALL
IT'S UNPLEASANT, SO IT MAKES ME HAVE TO CALL YOU
IT'S NO FUN WHEN YOU APOLOGIZE SO HONESTLY
so boring
WHAT HAPPENED TO GIO? AREN'T YOU GUYS TOGETHER?
HAVE YOU?
WHAT AN AWKWARD SUBJECT CONVERSION
AH
HAVE YOU EVER LIKED SOMEONE? AKAIKE-KUN

I'M TALKING ABOUT SOMEONE WHO YOU DON'T WANT TO LOSE NO MATTER WHAT.
HOW COULD THERE BE NO ONE WHEN I'M THIS OLD ALREADY?
NO ONE WOULD LIKE TO LOSE THE ONE THEY LIKE
Because Gi is the one and only
—WHAT CAN YOU DO TO NOT LOSE SOMEONE?

ALTHOUGH I STILL DON'T UNDERSTAND WHY A GUY LIKE GII FELL IN LOVE WITH SOMEONE LIKE HAYAMA
HAYAMA
IF BY ANY CHANCE YOU'RE REFERRING GII THEN YOU DON'T NEED TO WORRY AT ALL.
BUT GII'S FEELINGS TOWARD YOU ARE FIRMER THAN YOU THINK.
WHICH MEANS IT'S NOT A TEMPORARY INFATUATION.
SINCE I CAN'T IMAGINE HIM CHANGING HIS FEELINGS.
I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHAT YOU JUST SAID
....
Somehow my ears are buzzing

AKAIKE-KUN...
FOR INSTANCE, WOULD YOU STILL BE FINE IF YOU LOST YOUR FRIEND, GI!?
AKAIKE-KUN IS FINE...?
This is weird The world is white...
How can everyone live on so calmly...
HEY HAYAMA
ARE YOU OK? YOU'RE SHIVERING
I'M FINE!
TELL ME! CAN YOU LIVE ON IF YOU LOSE GI!?
HUH? WHAT IS IT?

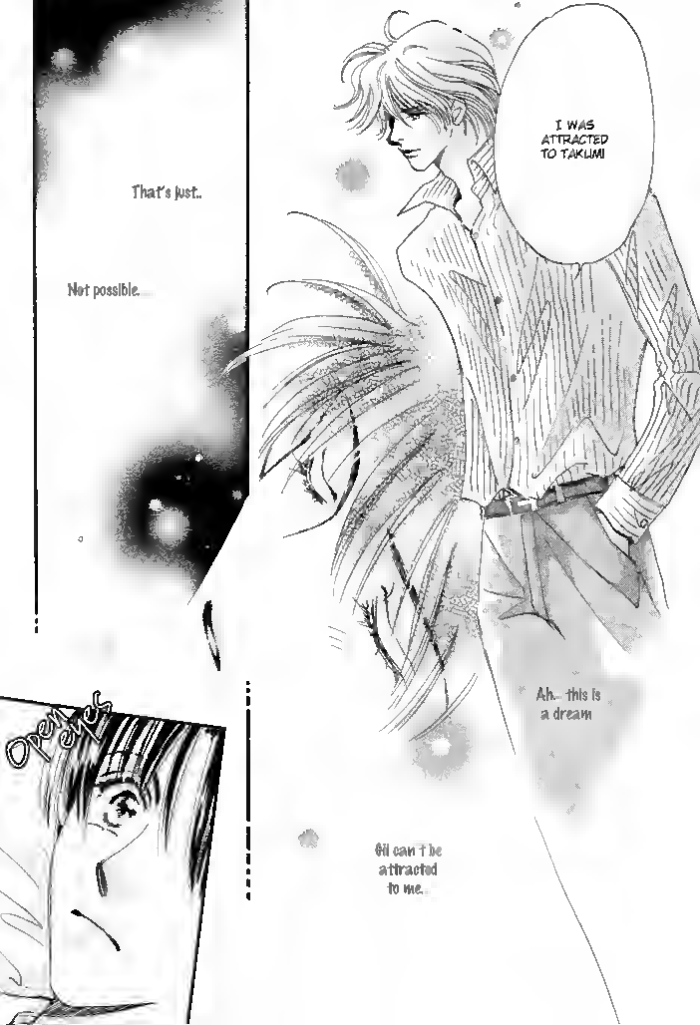
LOSING A FRIEND IS NOT SOMETHING THAT DETERMINES WHETHER YOU WILL LIVE OR DIE IDIOT!
YOU'RE NOT FINE AT ALL.
DO YOU KNOW WHAT YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT?
I can t
TELL.
ME.
breath
WAIT
Wait here
You got it?
Oil.
WHAT IS IT.
June Pride Part 1 END

June Pride

Part 2

IT'S BECAUSE HE HAS BEEN LACKING SLEEP THESE DAYS.
Ah, I can hear Gil's voice too...
WHEN I RETURNED TO THE LOBBY, HE HAD COLLAPSED ALREADY.
GEEZ, MAKING SUCH A FUSS. ANAEMIA? IS HE A GUY?
This voice.
It's Akaike-kun
GIL, IT'S BAD IF HE STAYS THE WAY HE IS RIGHT NOW
I HOPE NOTHING HAPPENS
IT'S LIKE HE IS BEING CORNERED BY SOME STRANGE FEELINGS

chuckles
HE'S NOT THAT WEAK.
OH REALLY ...
...I KNOW THE REAL HAYAMA TAKUMI.
IT WAS WAY BEFORE HE BECAME LIKE THIS.
I KNEW TAKUMI WHEN HE WAS STILL LIKE THE REAL TAKUMI
I'VE LIKED HIM SINCE THEN
ALTHOUGH SHOUZOU MIGHT LAUGH AT ME, BUT


That's just..
Not possible.
I WAS ATTRACTED TO TAKUMI
Ah... this is a dream
Oh can't be attracted to me.
Open

I wonder what date it is And what time...?
I'm in my bed.
THIS IS...
Close
Oh so it's dinner time already
Put down
Oh...

"I WAS ATTRACTED TO TAKUMI"
TENSE
Hnnnn
TURN
STEP
I sure dream too much.
A dream of complete over-confidence...
I can't face Oji
I'm sorry Oji, for having such dreams.
TAKUMI...

Eh...?
TAKUMI..
DON'T WAKE UP YET, OK?
Ah..
No..
I don't like it!
STOP! GIII!
push
Gii..
He should notice that I m awake.
But he..

N...!
WHAT ARE YOU DOING?
STOP IT!
Rustle
I UNDERSTAND NOW, TAKUMI
THIS IS WHAT SHOULD BE DONE.
I WON'T LET YOU SAY NO
Eh.?

No...
MOVE AWAY. IT'S PAINFUL.
TAKUMI SHOULD UNDERSTAND TOO
THIS IS THE BEST WAY
GII!
SHOCK
N...O!

IT CAN'T BE ME?
YOU DISLIKE BEING EMBRACED BY ME THIS MUCH?
Oh...
I'M... SORRY...
I like you 6ff
But
But
STOP...
NN

Rustle
Gil
He has noticed.
You are cunning Gil
You've noticed right?
The instant I felt Gil's kiss was sweet rather than fear it
Gil
Although it was a gentle kiss .. my body reacted
HE HAS FOUND OUT
The me who is different from my normal self

"TAKUMI"
"TAKUMI"
TAKUMI
...UU
AH
AH
SQUEAK
HUMP
clench

touch
Gil...
Ah This person is Gil
WHAT'S UP WITH THAT EXPRESSION?
TAKUMI
Gil...

And then
remained was the memory of me being treated dearly like a treasure...
Gil...
TAKUMI, ARE YOU OK?
Languid time
Being worried
is pleasant somehow
PLEASE OPEN YOUR EYES
TAKUMI...
TAKUMI...
TAKUMI...

I'M SORRY
WAS I BEING TOO ROUGH?
HEY, TAKUMI
WOW

PU
chicks
chicks
Ah
I'M PRETTY SURE I'M THE ONLY ONE WHO HAS SEEN
GII SO WORRIED
YOU... YOU DID THAT ON PURPOSE
DIDN'T YOU?!
Rustle
WAH
Aha Ha Ha Ha

TAKUMI
Gii
BECAUSE IT WAS Gii
YOU'RE LIKE A TRANQUI-LIZER
Hey
USUALLY YOU SHOULD BE EXCITED
HAVE YOU CALMED DOWN?
I'VE BEEN CALM SINCE A WHILE AGO.
What is that?
So I'm some kind of medi-cine?
PU
keke

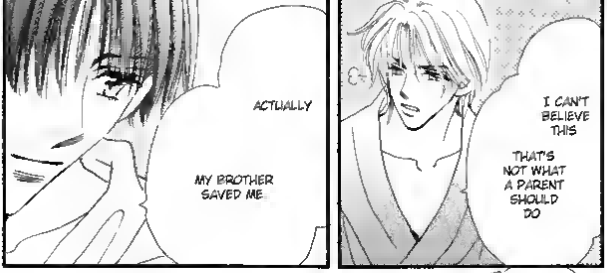
WAIT A SECOND
OH, I GOT IT FROM SHOUZOU!
G!!... WHAT HAPPENED TO THAT LETTER FOR ME?
Oh...
YOU SAID IT'S FROM YOUR MOTHER, RIGHT?
YEA...
WHAT IS THAT?
Fall...
A TRAIN... TICKET

SO WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO? ARE YOU GOING, OR NOT?
YOU CAN ASK ME WHY I'M ABOUT WHY I HAVE NEVER VISITED THE GRAVE
WHICH MEANS THAT GUY IS THE REASON?

NAOTO HUH...
Hmm
WHAT KIND OF ILLNESS DID HE HAVE?
HAYAMA NAOTO
HE'S MY ELDER BROTHER.
HE WOULD BE 22 YEARS OLD IF HE WERE STILL ALIVE. HE DIED IN THE HOSPITAL 3 YEARS AGO.
HEART DISEASE. IT'S HEREDITARY.
BUT SINCE HE ATTENDED GYM CLASS AS WELL, I GUESS IT WASN'T REALLY SERIOUS.
HE DIED EVEN THOUGH IT WASN'T SERIOUS?
I heard he wandered in the woods barefoot for the whole day
while it was raining

YOUR BROTHER, HIS...
WELL...
WHEN HE WAS FOUND, THERE WERE COMPLICATIONS WITH THE COLD AND PNEUMONIA.
AND HIS HEART, WHICH WAS THE WEAKEST, COULD NOT ENDURE IT...
I THINK THAT'S THE NAME OF IT...
TACHIKAWA MENTAL HOSPITAL
ALTHOUGH YOUR TYPES ARE TOTALLY DIFFERENT...
BUT HE WAS SMART WITH NICE FEATURES... ALTHOUGH HE DIDN'T HAVE A LOT OF STAMINA, HE COULD HANDLE SPORTS EASILY TOO
I SEE
NII-SAN...
HE IS LIKE GI!

I SOMEHOW UNDERSTAND NOW THAT
I WASN'T WITHIN THEIR SIGHTS AT ALL
IN ADDITION, BECAUSE OF HIS WEAK HEART, THEY CARE ABOUT HIM A LOT...
MY PARENTS WERE REALLY PROUD OF MY BROTHER AND FAVOURED HIM VERY MUCH
about the past... which I was so afraid to let you know...
To think that I can actually tell you this easily
The words came out so smoothly
This is strange...
THEY JUST SIMPLY DIDN'T CARE ABOUT ME, SINCE THEY HAD ALL THEIR ATTENTION ON BROTHER
HOW SHOULD I PUT IT...
THEY DIDN'T COMPARE ME WITH MY BROTHER OR SCOLD ME AT ALL.
WERE YOU PARENTS COLD TO YOU?


ACTUALLY
MY BROTHER SAVED ME
I CAN'T BELIEVE THIS
THAT'S NOT WHAT A PARENT SHOULD DO

Even though I was like that, my brother listened to me patiently
I wasn't good with words so I ended up leaving a lot of things in thoughts..
That's why I couldn't really make friends..
HE'S THE ONLY ONE WHO WOULD LISTEN TO MY STORIES

YEA.
HE WAS A NICE BROTHER
Hmm
HE WAS A NICE BROTHER
WASN'T HE ON YOUR SIDE THEN?

WHEN HE ENTERED JUNIOR HIGH... I WAS STILL A GRADE 2 STUDENT
STARTING FROM THEN, MY BROTHER STARTED TOUCHING DIFFERENT PARTS OF MY BODY...
TAKUMI
I was still at the age when I didn't know the difference between male and female
So it didn't really bother me at first
But when I got older, I understood what was happening
BUT
HE HAD BECOME STRANGE...

YOU DIDN'T RESIST?
I DIDN'T
I COULDN'T
BECAUSE BROTHER WAS SUPPOSED TO BE THE ONE WHO SAVED ME
HE WAS THE BRIDGE BETWEEN ME AND MY PARENTS
When my brother talks about me. That's the only time
my parents have their attention on me.
It made me so happy it was as if I was in heaven
AND YOUR BROTHER
WAS USING THAT

But my brother got disgusted and couldn't stand it
As if I was committing a sin
BUT IT WAS STRANGE
SINCE MY BROTHER IS A COMPLETE FASTIDIOUS IDEOLOGIST
IT'S WEIRD RIGHT? SINCE HE LAID HIS HANDS ON HIS OWN BROTHER
MAYBE THAT GAP WAS WHAT GRADUALLY DAMAGED HIS MENTAL HEALTH
When doing it, I would make noise.
when it felt good, I would react
AND THEN
THAT DAY ARRIVED.

Hug
IT WAS RAINING
IT WAS A GLOOMY RAINY DAY JUST LIKE TODAY
Zaaaa...
Brother stayed home because of a fever that day
As for me, due to the rain my club activity was cancelled
So I went straight home.

and my brother dragged me into bed
My mother just went out to buy groceries for dinner
DROP
And then
My mother forgot her wallet
And came back home suddenly while we were in the middle of it

WHAT DO YOU THINK MY BROTHER DID?
I GUESS HE PROBABLY... DIDN'T DEFEND YOU
YEA...
I BECAME A PERVERT WHO TEMPTED MY BROTHER
HE EVEN COMPLAINED TO MOTHER WHILE SHEDDING TEARS
I HAD LOST ALL WILL TO OBJECT
IT WAS A YEAR LATER
THE TIME MY PARENTS NOTICED MY BROTHER'S CHARACTER DISORDER
AND TOOK ME TO A UNIVERSITY MENTAL DEPARTMENT
MY PARENTS DIDN'T ASK ME ANYTHING AT ALL,
BUT I WAS SENT BACK HOME RIGHT AWAY...

YOU WERE MISUNDERSTOOD FOR THE WHOLE YEAR?
BROTHER WAS MAKING TROUBLE IN HIS BOYS ONLY HIGH-SCHOOL
I HEARD HE FORCEFULLY DRAGGED THE UNDERCLASSMEN INTO THE GYM EQUIPMENT ROOM.
SEEMS LIKE MY BROTHER'S CONDITION WAS ATYPICAL AT THE TIME.
MY PARENTS QUICKLY DISMISSED BROTHER FROM SCHOOL
AND SENT HIM TO TACHIKAWA MENTAL HOSPITAL WHICH IS FAR IN THE MOUNTAINS
Although they found out the truth after that
I didn't care anymore.

MAYBE...
BUT...
DO YOU STILL HATE THEM...?
YOU DISLIKE ME NOW?
But Oh.
Since giving up on everything
was the living technique I had learned after 12 years.
YOU THINK I CAN YEARN FOR MY PARENTS NOW?
THEY'RE FAR BEYOND STRANGERS
DIDN'T I SAY I LOVE YOU?

I'M NOT WORTHY
FOR YOU TO TREASURE ME..
REALLY?
snigger
GUESS TAKUMI REALLY ISN'T A GOOD JUDGE OF PEOPLE
Chu
Gii

Walk
Walk
Brother's grave
Is located in the back of Tachikawa Hospital It's above the hills...
"YOU'VE ALREADY MADE UP YOUR MIND."
"BUT TODAY IS A LUCKY DAY IT'S SUNNY TOO! BE CAREFUL OK."

Walk
Walk
Oh.
Brother...
NAOTO HAYAMA
1971 - 1991

Rustle...
OH GREAT, YOU FOUND IT.
NAOTO-KUN'S GR VE IS A BIT HARD TO FIND, SO...
OH, YOU'RE FROM A WHILE BACK
The nurse who taught me how to get here.
IS THERE ?
YOU... YOU ARE NAOTO-KUN'S LITTLE BROTHER RIGHT?
TAKUMI-KUN
YOU KNOW MY NAME...?
WELL THE DAY WHEN NAOTO-KUN PASSED AWAY...
THE ONE WHO FOUND HIM WANDERING IN THE WOODS. WAS ME

Rain...
EVER SINCE HE ENTERED THIS HOSPITAL, HE WAS SENSITIVE TO RAIN.
WHENEVER IT WAS A RAINY DAY, HE WOULD ACT LIKE HE WAS POSSESSED BY SOMETHING
ALTHOUGH I WAS CAREFUL THAT DAY AS WELL
SOMEHOW HE SNEAKED OUT...
WHILE HE WAS WANDERING IN THE WOODS
WHAT DO YOU THINK HE WAS DOING?
WELL...
TAKUMI...
WHERE ARE YOU? TAKUMI I'M SORRY...
Eh..?

I WANTED TO MEET YOU
I WANTED TO MEET YOU AND PASS NAOTO-KUN'S WORDS TO YOU.
CONTI-NUOUSLY
HE REPEATED THE SAME WORDS OVER AND OVER AGAIN UNTIL HIS LAST BREATH
HE MUST HAVE BEEN SEARCHING FOR YOU IN THE WOODS
HE SAID HIS TAKUMI IS REALLY CUTE
EVER SINCE YOU WERE YOUNG, HE AS A BROTHER, LOOKED CLOSELY OVER YOU AND COULDN'T LEAVE YOU ALONE
WHEN NAOTO-KUN TALKED ABOUT YOU
HE WAS SO HAPPY AS IF YOU WERE HIS LOVER

"TAKUMI...
I'M SORRY TAKUMI..."
The rain..
Brother
You were regretting what happened that day?
You wanted to tell me?

Aah
It makes
me want
to see Oh.
"TAKUMI..."
Oh.
Today's
weather is
really good
Brother...

Gotoh Shinobu & Ohya Kazumi

Special interview

Ever since the "Takumi-kun" series appeared in Ruby novels, Gotoh Shinobu-sensei and Ohya Kazumi-Sensei have brought to us wonderful stories and beautiful illustrations. Just before the new release in spring 2000, they are going to tell us the memories of "Takumi-kun" from these 8 years.

Gotoh: You didn't grow old at all. When I first met Ohya-san, you were just like your portrait illustration. Small and cute.

Question: -- When you got to know each other more, did you find any surprises?

Gotoh: Oh yes. *laugh* I thought she was really quiet at first. No offense, but I thought she was the type who likes staying at home, and it turns out that she's a really active person. Also with great curiosity, we can make conversation on any topic and I actually wonder where she collects the information. I was very surprised that she knows the music writer of Argentina Tango – Piazzolla. My hobbies are pretty minor, so it's amazing that she is able to follow.

Ohya: I'm the type with shallow and broad information, so I only know Piazzolla back then, but now I have no idea. *laugh* Although I do go deep for something I really love, the cycle of liking different things lightly changes pretty fast, and I'll forget about it right away. There are a lot of times when my friend tells me, *"You liked this before"* and I will be like, *"really?"*

Gotoh: It feels like I've been beaten twice then *laugh*

Ohya: When I first met with Gotoh-sensei, you already had the aura of "Sensei". You had the image of leading writer rather than a novice writer.

Gotoh: I probably don't have the novice image because I debuted after I'd worked in a company. *laugh* I've worked with commercial magazines and strangers before. I've asked a mangaka friend who I made doujinshi with for the illustrations, but since a commercial magazine has to fulfill the publisher's command, I let the publisher handle everything after I handed in the original draft. I'm very happy to receive these gorgeous illustrations without making any requests. However, as the series continued, a lot of new characters have appeared and I always feel sorry for Ohya-san.

Question: -- "Takumi-kun series" has been published by Ruby novels for 8 years. You both have really been working together for a long period of time.

Gotoh: When Kadokawa bookstore gave me an offer to write this novel, they asked for my idea on choosing an illustrator. I'd given them 3 names, and Ohya-san was one of them. After that, the publisher told me that they've decided to have Ohya-san take the job and then that was it. The time we actually met face to face was a long while after the novel had been released.

Ohya: The first time was at the memorial party of the release. I thought that she looked so different from the photo inside the cover. Seemed like that was a really old picture.

Gotoh: Because when I first met with Ohya-san, the picture was 10 years old already.

In order to hide the true identity, the author has used a "long shot"?!

Ohya: You didn't change it even after 10 years? *laugh* You can still talk it through if it's the same as the one being used in the old book, but a 10-year-old picture for the first publish is a bit... *laugh*

Gotoh: Well, I didn't want to publish a close-up shot so I told my manager that I wanted to use an illustration. She rejected me clearly saying that it can't be done. So I used one that would not reveal my identity. However, there was another author who debuted at the same time and used an illustration. I was shocked. *laugh* That picture was not only 10 years old, I look short in it too, so it surprises people a lot. Ohya-san hasn't changed a bit since the first time we met.

Ohya: My hair style has changed. This is the first time I have straight hair. .

Gotoh: I'm not talking about your hair. *laugh*

Ohya: I'm sorry. *laugh* I didn't change a bit. I didn't grow up a bit.

Gotoh: At first, Gii, Takumi and Akaike are around the same height.

Question: -- After that, the work has become mature right?

Gotoh: Little by little everyday. *laugh* Now when I think about it, I don't really focus on the visual. But, due to Ohya-san's illustration, everyone around says "Gotoh-san likes beautiful boys." Although I didn't say anything, the illustrations for my other works are amazing as well. I feel so lucky *laugh* Ohya-san's drawings contain both cute and mature types, so even if there are adult characters appearing, it doesn't cause any conflict. I was told that it's easy for her because I didn't make any request, but it is also easy for me to write freely because the image is not limited.

Ohya: When making it into a comic this time, the most enjoyable part was drawing Genda-sensei. It seems like I like drawing old men.

Gotoh: I look forward to the drawing of Oohashi-sensei. *laugh*

Ohya: Me too, I always think *"is this good enough?"* for the characters... I was told that it is better to hand in a character chart to the author beforehand. But Gotoh-sensei had no request at all and told me to draw freely. It's true that it is easier for me, but I also feel a bit lost. --

■ Because Takumi is weak at making contact with others, he doesn't have a lot of friends. His roommate, Gii, is going to open his heart with love... This is the memorable first volume with a beautiful, gentle "Takumi-kun = sakura" image setting.

SOSHITE HARUKAZE NI SASAYAITE
Published in May 1992

The newest volume's title and illustration are being liked a lot ♥

Question: -- It seems like Gotoh-sensei likes Oohashi-sensei.

Gotoh: In the past. *laugh* Among the stories I wrote during that time period, I like that the most. He supports the main characters by thinking *"let's bring out the best in these children"*. And now I have another favorite character, however, when the story is done, the feelings will be withdrawn. That's why there's no character who I particularly like. It's like the parent who loves all her children equally. Which character does Ohya-san like?

Ohya: Right now I like Misu and Shingyouji. That's why I want to start drawing the story of 3rd year quickly.

Question: -- Among all the illustrations that Ohya-sensei has drawn, which one gave you a strong impression?

Gotoh: It's true that I've never made any request or order on the illustrations.

Ohya: I remember I wasn't able to get a hold of Akaike-kun's image, so I asked at the beginning. And then, I was told that he is similar to one of the characters from my manga, so I went with that. However, as for Takumi-kun, I was told that "he's definitely not a bishounen", so I didn't know what to do. *laugh*

Gotoh: Although that is the basic setting, since this is a business of selling dreams *laugh*, so even though he's not a bishounen to me, I think he has to be a bishounen for the readers.

Ohya: At the beginning, I was surprised when I saw you wrote Gii and Takumi are about the same height, since Gii gives a taller image... When I drew them, it seemed unbalanced, so I made Gii a little bit taller.

■ Love is getting entangled in Shidou Can the love senior Takumi give advice to his friends? The title has been revised 3 times, and the illustration matches perfectly with the image Gotoh-sensei's (the straightest) friend also praises!

KACHIRU YORU NI KIMI WO OMOEBA
Published in Jan 2000

Gotoh: Let's deliberately review it at home

Ohya: It is not that important. *blush* I like "Koibumi" as well. When I start liking the work, I will have a feeling of *"I'm sorry, Gotoh-sensei"* at the same time, so it's pretty hard Although I've drawn some situation-illustration for other work or for my manga as well, since the setting is in school, the outfits and background are pretty much limited

Gotoh: Oh really -- So it has given you a hard time. *laugh*

Question: -- Did Gotoh-sensei make any request when the making of the comic was decided?

Gotoh: I've left everything up to Ohya-san. Since I've been working with Ohya-san for the past 8 years, our relationship is even longer than the one I have with my manager now Up until now, the illustrations have no conflicts with the story at all, so I have faith in her. I believe that she will be able to make the adjustments when making the novel into a comic I was asked to check over the illustration content, but other than that, I don't think I need to say anything else. The progress is going smoothly, and I enjoy the feedback from the readers.

Ohya: For me, I'm really nervous. *laugh*

Gotoh: Ohya-san is pretty brave When I saw the cover of "Farewell", I thought the all-black background was pretty daring The illustration of "Bibou no detail" was very delicate, but it still gives a stylish feeling, so it leaves an impression. And then, I like the cover of the first volume "Soshite Harukaze ni sasayaite" a lot. I received comments from the readers that "It reminds me of Takumi-kun when I see sakura", so I remember it strongly. How about Ohya-san?

Ohya: When I drew the illustration for "Kachiru yoru ni kimi wo omoeba", the title was still at a temporary stage, but I did it on my own I was really happy when the finished volume came out because the title went perfectly with the picture. However, I heard that Gotoh-sensei recreated the title after seeing the illustration I wonder if that's true *laugh*

Gotoh: I actually revised it 3 times in total for that The temporary one, the next one after that, and the one after I saw the picture But thanks to that, I received really good feedback. I was really glad.

Ohya: During the early period, I liked "Nijiro no Garasu"

■ Gi and Takumi are embraced by cold rain while staying over at Saki's cottage for the summer break, and they got into a strange incident. A story based outside of school The dream of making "Farewell" into a comic has also swelled. The black background is daring and gorgeous!

FAREWELL
Published in Feb 1993

Ohya: Not just that. I like the love scene between Takumi-kun and Gii too. When I read the novel, I thought "Wow~!"

Gotoh: Me too, when I saw Ohya-san's illustration, I was like "Wow!" as well. *laugh*

Ohya: Misu-kun and Shingyouji-kun haven't appeared too much yet in the novel, so please sensei, please write it soon. My wish is overflowing.

Gotoh: However, everyone please pay attention. It's not "Misu – Shingyouji", it should be said as "Shingyouji – Misu". Misu gives an image of "Misu-sama!", so I feel that I have to clarify this. Standpoint-wise, it should be Shingyouji first.

Ohya: That's true! ... speaking of the novel, I really care about where Toshihisa-kun is heading towards. Is the last rock, Toshihisa, going towards that direction as well?

Gotoh: He's not the last rock, since Akaike is also straight. As for Toshihisa... (the following is a trade secret)

Ohya: Eh, really? I'll look forward to it.

Question: -- Lastly, a message to fans.

Gotoh: The "Takumi-kun series" comic version is planned to become more interesting, so please look forward to it! Akaike is very cool. Ohya-san was still an Akaike fan a while back, but she got attracted by Misu and Shingyouji. *laugh*

Ohya: Misu and Shingyouji are really nice. *laugh* I'm very nervous since this is my first manga with an original story attached. I'm still in the exploration stage, so please give me feedback and suggestions.

Question: -- Thank you very much.

April 25, 2000
Composed & written by Kakefa Haruyo

When Billy Takahashi-sensei made it into a manga before, it was just a straight conversion from the novel to the manga within the number of pages which was available, so I thought that's how it will be. When I started doing it, I realized that I had to decide the number of pages and the schedules by myself, so it tripled the tension. There are advantages to "having an original story" though. Also, since it's my first boy's love, it's fun. *laugh*

Gotoh: Although you've been drawing boy's love illustrations, it's actually your first time drawing a manga?

Ohya: That's right. It's my first time drawing boy's love manga.

Gotoh: It's a memorable first volume.

Question: -- Does Ohya-san have any wishes on "I want to make it into a comic!"?

Ohya: I want to draw the story of the 3rd year students. Misu and Shingyouji. *laugh* And then it will be "Farewell", since that's a bit different from a story within the school, so I wanted to try drawing it.

■ Although Gii and Takumi are no longer roommates after entering 3rd year, their love has powered-up. The love scene & illustration which both Gotoh-sensei and Ohya-sensei think *"it's amazing!"*

It will be interesting because they are outside the school and it contains a bit of a horror feeling in it.

Gotoh: I want to read the manga version of "Farewell" as well.

FROM "ANO, HARETA AOZORA"

● AFTERWORD ●

Hello. This is Ohya.
It's been so many years since I was asked to draw the illustrations for the Takumi Kun Series. *laugh* Around 10 years? *wait~~* *sweat*~~

And I've been asked to make a comic version for it! I'm really in deep emotion. (In addition, it has become the first manga in the 21st century for me.)
I'm still in the exploring stage while drawing so I've really troubled Goton sensei and editor N san a lot. Although I'm an imperfect manga artist, please bear with me from now on as well. [After the icon] *sigh* No matter what, I want to reach the 3rd year story.

The manga of "Soshite Harukaze ni sasayaite", which I've drawn the digest as the prologue, was done by Billy Taka hashi sensei, please take a look. I've taken it as a reference as well! (Billy sensei, how are you? It's said that we're unable to meet up for a while. Let's go drinking some time again.)

If you have any suggestions or feedback regarding the comic version, please let me know. Thank you very much.

December 2000
Ohya Kazumi

Afterword

Also started with "Ai", but it's not the high-tech "AIBO", I'm completely into my devilish niece "Ai-chan" (named by manager Miss. Akama). This is Gotoh... Fuu.

Ever since the past, we've received a lot of requests on wanting to read the manga of Takumi-kun by Ohya Kazumi-san. Well well well, it's like wishes will come true if you keep on praying. As a continuation of "Soshite Harukaze ni sasayaite" which was presented by Billy Takahashi-san a few years back, Ohya-san continued and released the following stories in CIEL, and now we're able to publish a volume!

By the way, if a school like this, which is full of cute boys, becomes reality, I'll definitely sneak in as one of the teachers. I'll probably repetitively think that it's great to have gained this position even with lots of hardship! And then my impure motive will probably be discovered and I'll get fired. That is not good!

Let's end the joke now. Ohya Kazumi-sama, let's work towards the 3rd year, I'll need your help very much from now on as well! Also, thank you very much for the gorgeous Gii, cute Takumi-kun and super cool Shouzou!

Gotoh Shinobu

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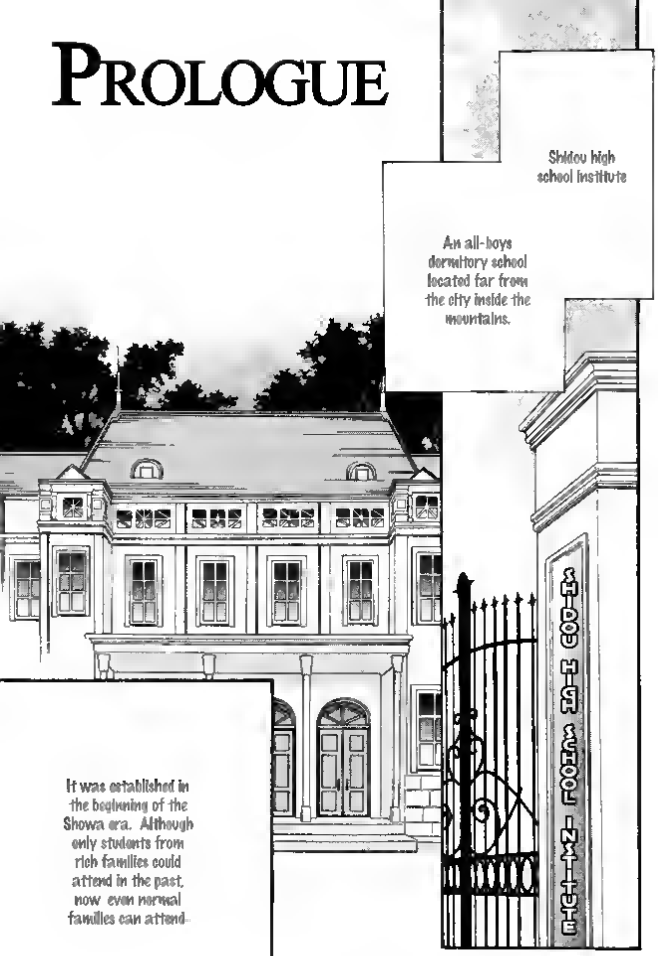
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SHIDOU HIGH SCHOOL INSTITUTE
It was established in the beginning of the Showa era. Although only students from rich families could attend in the past, now even normal families can attend.

I'm entering my 2nd year this year
That's right
I, Hayama Takumi, am one of them.
However
During the 1st year I was called a heartless, emotionless uncaring, neat freak misanthrope
I was an outsider who couldn't fight back no matter how I was being picked on.
Unlike other students, I escaped to this school.
I have a mental twist even diagnosed by the doctor.

Oh!
Full name
Saki Oichi
A 1/4 French
mix with
transparent
brown eyes.
There was
only one
person
Who didn't
take me as a
"weird guy"
Instead, he said
I'm just "bad
at expressing
myself"
Oh! is a returnee
who was born
in America. He's
always the focal
point in class
with everyone's
attention on him.
I thought
he and I
were living
in a totally
different
worlds
however

After entering 2nd year somehow we've become roommates!!
And everything began on the welcome ceremony of our 2nd year...
My carefree student life with my ex-roommate, Katakura Toshihisa who was the only one who truly understood me changed rapidly
He, who is in love with Gil, started picking on me all of a sudden
First is Takabayashi Izumi
He's said to be the most BEAUTIFUL prince (princess?) in our grade.
THIS GUY
WHAT ARE YOU DOING?
HE BUMPED INTO ME ON PURPOSE!!

And then, Oli's close friend Akaike Shouzou appeared. The evil discipline committee.
ALTHOUGH THERE ARE SOME FUNNY RUMOURS AROUND
HAYAMA-KUN AND I ARE GOING OUT.
Nozaki Daisuke. The captain of the basketball team. (What's with this guy?!)
I'M SORRY FOR THE TROUBLE
POWER
Takabayashi Izumi's room-mate. Also in the same archery club as Toshihisa.
The brave Yoshizawa Michio-kun. (Seems like he's blindly in love with Takabayashi right now)
I'VE BEEN ASKED TO CHECK WHETHER YOUR DISLIKE HUMAN CONTACT SYNDROME IS ACTIVE OR NOT.
AND IT'S PERFECTLY ACTIVE!

EVEN THOUGH YOU'RE THE CAPTAIN OF THE BASKET-BALL TEAM
YOUR CONTROL IS EXTREMELY GOOD.
And then, the incidents
DROP
CRASH
OH protected me and got splashed by the curry Nozaki Daisuke threw
Appear
HAYAMA TAKUMI-SAN?
EH?
HIT
like how they appear in dramas I got hit by Takabayashi's bodyguards and fainted

When I regained consciousness, I was with Oh alone
We were locked in the old music room.
And then
Oh's unbelievable confession.
EH?
THOSE GUYS PICKED ON YOU THIS MORNING
BECAUSE OF ME.
IT IS BECAUSE TAKABAYASHI FOUND OUT THAT
I LIKE TAKUMI

I DON'T WANT TO REGRET AFTER-WARDS.
I REALLY WANT TO PROTECT YOU.
PLEASE DON'T RUN AWAY.
I LIKE YOU! TAKUMI
IT'S NOT ANYONE ELSE
I LIKE YOU... TAKUMI

Oil .. I was the one who admired you deeply
I LIKE YOU
The warmth from Oil s hand was like the spell for breaking the magic. It melted my heart

In the end...
Seems like Takabayashi Izumi realized Yoshizawa's kindness after the big fuss.

*- FISH CAKE
And Toshihisa worries about me all the time as usual.
HERE. IT'S *KAMABOKO
USE THIS TO GET ALONG WELL WITH GIL FOR THE REST OF THE YEAR

TAKUMI!
I have an illness
Moreover, I have a secret which I've not told anyone yet...
We named it "dislike human contact syndrome"
Even though we've become lovers...
I have no idea what's ahead of us...
However

Within this spring breeze
Something is definitely starting to change...

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